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Remarks:

Applicants note that the revised amendment practice under 37 C.F.R. 1.121 only applies to amendments filed on or after the effective date of July 30, 2003. Although Applicants amendment was filed prior to this date (July 22, 2003), Applicants are submitting the complete listing of claims to assist the prosecution of the present application.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number given below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

Respectfully submitted,

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